

July 10, 2019

North Carolina
Department of Health and Human Services
Public Records Officer
news@dhhs.nc.gov

Re: Public Records Request

Dear Public Records Officer:

Pursuant to the state open records law, Public Records Law Chapter 132 - North Carolina General Assembly, Equity Forward requests access to and copies of the following records from January 1, 2017 until the date this request is fulfilled:

Records Requested

- 1. All correspondence (as defined below) between North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services officials and the following outside groups and individuals:
 - · Americans United for Life
 - North Carolina Right to Life
 - o Barbara Holt, President
 - Triangle Right to Life
 - C-PLAN of Charlotte
 - We Love Life
 - North Carolina Values Coalition
 - Tami Fitzgerald, Executive Director
 - · Cities for Life
 - o Daniel Parks, Executive Director
 - Carolina Pregnancy Care Fellowship
 - Human Coalition
 - Bethany Christian Services
 - Birthchoice
 - Crisis Pregnancy East
 - Crisis Pregnancy North
 - Crisis Pregnancy Northwest
 - Crisis Pregnancy West
 - LifeLine

- 2. All correspondence as defined below from North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services officials which mention the following keywords:
 - "Crisis pregnancy clinic"
 - "CPC"
 - "Abortion"
 - "Abortion reversal"
 - "Abortion regret"
 - "Abortion counseling"
 - "Post-abortion syndrome"
 - "Pro-life"
 - "Pro life"
 - "Pregnancy counseling"
 - "Partial-birth abortion"
 - "Partial birth abortion"
 - "Pregnancy Help Center"
 - "Pregnancy Resource Center"
 - "Birth control"
 - "Contraception"
 - "Contraceptives"
 - "Abortifacients"
 - "Abortifacient"

"Correspondence" should include but not be limited to: emails, email attachments, text messages, telephone call logs, calendar invitations/entries, meeting notices, meeting agendas, informational material, talking points, any handwritten or electronic notes taken during any responsive communications, summaries of any responsive communications, or other materials reflecting communications sent to, from or carbon copying (CC) all relevant individuals.

Fee Waiver Request

Equity Forward requests a waiver of fees because disclosure of the requested information is in the public interest because it is likely to contribute significantly to public understanding of government operations and is not primarily in the commercial interest of the requester. The disclosure of the information sought under this request will document and reveal the operations of the government, including how public funds are spent and how officials conduct the public's business.

This request is for non-commercial purposes. As a project of a 501(c)(3) organization, Equity Forward does not have a commercial purpose, and the release of the information requested is not in Equity Forward's financial interest. Equity Forward will use the information gathered through this request to educate the public through reports, press releases, or other media. Accordingly, Equity Forward qualifies for a fee waiver.

Conclusion

I request your response within ten (10) business days. If access to the records I am requesting will take longer than this amount of time, please contact me with information about when I might expect copies or the ability to inspect the requested records.

If you deny any or all of this request, please cite each specific exemption you feel justifies the

refusal to release the information and notify me of the appeal procedures available to me under the law.

If possible, I would prefer to receive this information electronically via e-mail at macarter@equityfwd.org. If you have questions or need additional information, please feel free to call me at (678) 827-1731.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

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